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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6823 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 8, 2014

BILL NUMBER: SB 343 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Law Enforcement Training Requirements.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Lanane BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> The bill requires the Law Enforcement Training Board (LETB) to adopt rules for minimum standards for a course of study on cultural sensitivity training, including training on the U nonimmigrant visa.

The bill provides that a county law enforcement continuing education program: (1) shall provide to each law enforcement officer employed by the county; and (2) may provide to each law enforcement officer employed by a city or town law enforcement agency within the county; continuing education concerning the U nonimmigrant visa and continuing education concerning cultural diversity awareness that includes an understanding of certain cultural issues.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The Indiana Law Enforcement Training Board would likely be able to adopt rules necessary to establish the minimum standards required by the bill within existing resources. Depending on the minimum standards established by the LETB, the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) would likely be able to fit U nonimmigrant visa training within the existing classes already offered in the ILEA basic course on cultural awareness, human trafficking, consular notification, and domestic violence.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The impact of this provision on local expenditures is indeterminable and would depend on when the training is conducted and how many city or town law enforcement agencies

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participate in the training. County law enforcement continuing education is funded by certain court program fees that are charged whenever a criminal case is filed in a court of record. Fees are from the following programs: pretrial diversion, informal adjustment, marijuana eradication, alcohol and dry services, law enforcement continuing education, and deferral programs.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: LETB, ILEA.

Local Agencies Affected: County and municipal law enforcement agencies.

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